

Burnside and Vinery Allotment Society

Christmas Quiz 2017

Just a bit of fun. Please, try not to use the Internet. Send your answers to webmaster@burnsideandvineryallotments.org by 6th January 2018. An answer sheet will be published on 8th January, along with the winner.

Please note that in the event of any difference between reality and our answer, we win.

There will be a small prize for the winner. In the event of a tie, the best tie-breaker answer, in our humble opinion (ahem) wins.

Question 1: What is this flower?



Spring gentian – *Gentiana verna*

Question 2: What was the original use for this tool?



Lawn aerator

Question 3: If I were singing about the *Ilex aquifolium* and the *Hedera*, what, topically, would I be talking about?

The Holly and the Ivy

Question 4: What is this common pest?



The carrot fly (not actual size, although given the devastation they cause...)

Question 5: How large is a standard full-size plot (in poles)?

10

Question 6: What is this fruit?



Quince

Question 7: When planting potatoes in a single row, how deep and how far apart should they be?

3" deep, 12" apart

Question 8: Hedgehogs are our friends on an allotment. What is the generic name for a baby hedgehog and how many spines (to the nearest 500) does the average adult hedgehog have?

The babies are called "hoglets" and an adult hedgehog has approximately 5000 spines.

Question 9: To the nearest 100,000, how many allotment plots were there in the UK at the height of their popularity – and how many are there now?

1,500,000 in the 30s and 330,000 now.

Question 10 (final question): Which of the following is /are **NOT** an IKEA product range for helping to grow plants in doors?

KRYDDA
APRILSKÄMT
VÄXER

BITTERGURKA

APRILSKÄMT - it is Swedish for "April Fool"